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IN RE APPLICATION OF

GROUP ART UNIT: 1731

CUI, ET AL.

EXAMINER: ALVO, MARC S.

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Responsive to the advisory action dated 13 January 2004, in the above-identified application, having a period for response set to expire 20 January 2005 [three months from the date of the final rejection] and extended one month by petition herewith to 20 February 2005, Applicant respectfully requests the following amendment be entered and the claims considered in light thereof. Applicants respectfully request entry of the Amendment After Final dated 16 December, 2004.